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SUBJECT: FOOD STAMP MASS CHANGE

CROSS REFERENCE: Food Stamp Handbook, Appendix 18

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000

PURPOSE

This memo provides the new Food Stamp (FS) cost of living adjustments (COLA) for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2001.

BACKGROUND

Each year, the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) adjusts the gross and net income limits, the maximum allotment, and the excess shelter expense deduction amounts in October. The changes are effective October 1, 2000. The changes will be made in CARES on 09/09/00 so that ongoing cases will use the new amounts effective 10/01/00. Applicants for FS on or after 10/01/00 will use the new amounts. These amounts are also found in CARES table TFST and TFEP. They will be added to Appendix 18 of the FS Handbook appendix in the next release.

EXCESS SHELTER DEDUCTION

The excess shelter deduction will change from \$275 to \$300.

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INCOME LIMIT & ALLOTMENT CHANGES

Following are changes for effective 10/01/00.

TERMS

AG = Assistance Group

FPL = Federal Poverty Level

AG Size	165% FPL <u>Gross</u> Income Limit	130% FPL <u>Gross</u> Income Limit	100% FPL <u>Net</u> Income Limit	Maximum Allotment
1	\$ 1149	\$ 905	\$ 696	\$ 130
2	\$ 1547	\$ 1219	\$ 938	\$ 238
3	\$ 1946	\$ 1533	\$ 1180	\$ 341
4	\$ 2345	\$ 1848	\$ 1421	\$ 434
5	\$ 2744	\$ 2162	\$ 1663	\$ 515
6	\$ 3142	\$ 2476	\$ 1905	\$ 618
7	\$ 3541	\$ 2790	\$ 2146	\$ 683
8	\$ 3940	\$ 3104	\$ 2388	\$ 781
9	\$ 4339	\$ 3419	\$ 2630	\$ 879
10	\$ 4738	\$ 3734	\$ 2872	\$ 977
11	\$ 5137	\$ 4049	\$ 3114	\$ 1075
12	\$ 5536	\$ 4364	\$ 3356	\$ 1173

DEDUCTIONS THAT DIDN'T CHANGE

The following deductions will not change:

Standard\$134

Dependent Care.....\$200 or \$175 depending on the age of the child

Heating Standard\$201 Other Standard\$115 Telephone Standard\$27

Medical Expenses Expenses over \$35 for elderly or disabled only

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